

GEO. E. STIFEL &amp; CO.

# Geo. E. Stifel & Co.

1154 to 1160 Main Street.

## More Than Two Dollars for One

AT OUR POST HOLIDAY

## Half Price Sale To-day.

While our exhibit was acknowledged the finest, the prices also were acknowledged the lowest in the city—therefore in this closing out sale of Music Boxes, Onyx Stands, Medallions, Pictures, Hand and Stand Mirrors, Candelabras, Fine China, Jap. and Oakwood Art Goods, Tuck Calendars and New Year's Cards, Smokers' Goods, Pool Tables, etc., you are getting more than double your money's worth.

## Special Goods

are in the holiday departments, second floor. We will not exchange or take back any special goods.

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D. GUNDLING &amp; CO.

## BEFORE THE BUGLE BLOWS

## "TAPS" ON 1899

We want to sell a lot of remnants in

## Clothing and Overcoats

and

## Men's Furnishing Goods.

The former are offered at 50c and 75c on the dollar. The latter most all go at 50c, especially all 50c Neckwear at 25c.

\$1.00 and \$1.50 Fancy Shirts, broken lots and irregular sizes, at 25c on the dollar.

To those in want we say:

"Strike while the iron is hot."

"Make hay while the sun shines."

## D. GUNDLING & CO.,

STAR CLOTHIERS.

34 and 36 Twelfth St.

GEO. R. TAYLOR CO.

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## MARKED DOWN SALE OF FINE SEASONABLE GOODS.

Closing up our holiday business of this year, we offer all our

Fur Capes,  
Fur Collarettes,  
Fur Scarfs,

Muffs,  
Cloth Jackets,  
Golf Capes,

Tailor Made Suits and Skirts,

AT

## 25 PER CENT LESS THAN REGULAR PRICES.

These goods are all new and very desirable.

# GEO. R. TAYLOR COMPANY.

## JOS. A. ARKLE DEAD.

Succumbed to a Sudden Illness Yesterday Afternoon.

## A PROMINENT SOUTH SIDER

And a Leading Member of the Grand Army of the Republic—Served in Third United States Cavalry During and After the Civil War—Saw Service on the Frontier Against the Indians in New Mexico.

Yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock occurred the death of Joseph A. Arkle, one of the most prominent citizens of the southern section of the city, in church, political and Grand Army circles. Mr. Arkle was attacked by a sudden illness early Tuesday morning. Dr. Meighen was called and did everything possible to relieve the sufferer, but without avail, the end coming at the hour mentioned. The news of the sad occurrence spread rapidly over the city and was received with genuine regret by all who knew the deceased.

Joseph A. Arkle was born in Burlington, Belmont county, Ohio, June 28, 1841, and with his parents he came to Wheeling six months later, the family locating in what was then called Ritchietown. After having secured a common school education, he learned the trade of coopering, and worked at it until March 2, 1863, when he enlisted in the general mounted service of the United States for five years, and was assigned to the Third United States Cavalry, at Memphis, Tenn., where he remained on duty until October 8, 1863, when the regiment became a part of the famous Fifteenth corps, commanded by General William Tecumseh Sherman, and with it he took part in the Chattanooga campaign. In March, 1864, he went with the regiment from Huntsville, Ala., to St. Louis, to recruit. Two months later the regiment went to Little Rock, Ark., and during the remainder of the war and until May, 1865, he saw service throughout the state of Arkansas. Next he marched with his regiment to New Mexico, across the plains from Fort Smith, Ark., through a trackless waste in which roamed the buffalo in great numbers, and whose only inhabitants were Indians. In New Mexico the companies of his regiment were scattered over the territory; Company I was sent to Fort Sumner, where over 7,000 Navajo Indians were in reservation. Mr. Arkle saw hard service in New Mexico, and on July 9, 1867, he was severely wounded in the shoulder during a battle with the Navajos near Fort Sumner. On the expiration of his term of enlistment, March 2, 1868, he left the army, and traveled 720 miles in a prairie schooner to the nearest railroad station, Hoyt City. During his five years' service Mr. Arkle had but twenty days furlough, this being after his recovery from the wound received in the fight with the Indians mentioned above. He arrived home in May, and for a time worked at his trade. Later he took charge of the LaBelle oil refinery at Parkersburg. Two years later he returned to Wheeling and engaged in the produce business, and later conducted a retail grocery for fourteen years. During the past thirteen years he has been engaged in business on the South Side as a pension attorney, and incidentally he has held for several years the office of justice of the peace in Ritchie district. He was a prominent member of E. W. Stephens Post No. 53, G. A. R., and has held important offices in the West Virginia department of the order, including that of adjutant general. For several terms he served as commander of Stephens Post. In politics Mr. Arkle has been a staunch Republican. He was a member of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, and one of its officers and leading workers.

Early in his manhood the deceased wedded Miss Anna Hawkins, of Marion county, this state, who survives, together with several children, including Mary (Mrs. John Monahan), Ella, Albert and Rose. The funeral is to occur from the Church of the Immaculate Conception, but the arrangements have not been made.

## A FATAL "DRUNK."

A Belmont County Man's Christmas Spree Ends Fatally.

Marion Metcalf, who has a wife and family at Georgetown, a village about two miles west of Bellaire, was discovered by workmen on their way to the steel works yesterday morning in a badly frozen condition, and apparently almost dead. He was removed to the city building, where Dr. Minesinger attended him. Metcalf had come to Bellaire to celebrate Christmas and imbibed too freely. He must have been lost to have wandered in the direction of the steel works, where he fell through the trestle, and lay until morning. His hands and feet were frozen so that it was doubtful if they would ever be of any use to him should he have recovered. On the back of his head was a serious injury probably sustained by his fall. Metcalf lingered until 10 o'clock last night, when death came to his relief. No disposition of the remains had been made at a late hour last night.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day. "Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits. 75 cents. Sold by R. H. List, 1010 Main street, Chas. Menkemeller, corner Market and Twenty-second streets, druggists. mw&t

L. R. SONNEBORN'S

Sample Sale.

Open Evenings.

Wholesale

Prices Positively.

PAY your water rent on or before December 30 and save 10 per cent discount. Office open evenings until 8 o'clock.

## BRIEF MENTIONINGS.

Events in and About the City Given in a Nutshell.

Matinee at the Grand to-day.  
Grand to-night—"Kidnapped in New York."

John Krieter, on a petty larceny charge, was given thirty days in jail yesterday by Squire Brodowski.

A very attractive calendar is being distributed by the Wheeling Tent & Awning Company, "the people who fool the sun."

The criminal assault case preferred by Pearl Watkins against Jacob Holden, in a Benwood court, flickered yesterday, on account of the failure of the girl to prosecute.

A gambling charge preferred against Fred Goldstroom by James K. Lattimer, of West Liberty, was dismissed yesterday by Squire Max H. Brodowski, for insufficient evidence.

The annual meeting of the West Virginia Steel Company stockholders will be held January 16; that of the Caldwell & Peterson Manufacturing Company, on January 27.

Yesterday, in the circuit court, in the case of James Merga vs. Michael Baker, et al., A. H. Wiedebusch was appointed guardian ad litem of Lea, James and George Merga.

Major W. J. W. Cowden has received a letter from Adjutant General Appleton, stating that he has no rifles to issue the Spanish-American war veterans for use in the Dewey parade. Rifles will, therefore, be secured elsewhere.

The King's Daughters will be glad to have their friends call at the Day Nursery on Wednesday afternoon at 2:30, and enjoy the beautiful Christmas tree with the children. Thanks are extended to all who have given aid at this time.

Squire Fitzpatrick has the Chinamen on his staff. A local Celestial gave him a Christmas remembrance of a handsome silk handkerchief and several boxes of tea, and he was sent a sword, studded with Chinese coin, from San Francisco, by a Chinaman who acted as interpreter here in cases affecting the local colony, and who travels the country at intervals doing business for his countrymen.

## MARRIED.

JACKSON-SMITH—On Christmas day, 1899, at 12 o'clock noon, at the residence of Capt. Basil T. Bowers, in New Martinsville, W. Va., by Rev. G. D. Smith, MR. WILLIAM H. JACKSON, of Mingo, Jefferson county, Ohio, to MISS MAGGIE C. SMITH, of New Martinsville, W. Va.

## DIED.

CUSTER—On Sunday, December 24, 1899, at 8 o'clock a. m., WILLIAM HENRY, son of Henry and Della Custer, aged 9 years and 8 months.  
Funeral from the residence of his parents, No. 1615 Lind street, on Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock. Requiem mass at St. Joseph's Cathedral at 9 o'clock. Friends of the family respectfully invited to attend. Interment at Mt. Calvary cemetery. Special motor after services.

## UNDERTAKING.

### Louis Bertschy,

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## KRAUS BROS.

## After Christmas Bargains.

The annual after Christmas Clearing-up Sale begins this morning, and a right merry time it will be—a fitting wind-up to the wonderful Christmas selling of these last few weeks. Every department will share in the bargain making, and all over the store there will be money-saving opportunities to make glad the hearts of thrifty buyers. Don't delay coming. The best things will go quickly.

# KRAUS BROS.,

WHEELING'S FOREMOST CLOTHIERS,

Strictly One Price.

1319 Market Street.

## THE NATIONAL EXCHANGE BANK OF WHEELING.

J. N. VANCE.....President. 5164. L. E. SANDS.....Cashier.  
JOHN FREW.....Vice President. W. B. IRVINE.....Asst. Cashier.

## The National Exchange Bank

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Of Wheeling.

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\$50,000.

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Dr. John L. McKim,

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W. H. Frank.

Business entrusted to our care will receive prompt and careful attention.

## PERSONAL NOTES.

Going and Coming of Wheeling People and Visitors.

Robert Crawford, of Pittsburgh, is visiting his brother, William Tecumseh Crawford.

George B. David, of the Chattanooga Times' advertising department, is in the city, the guest of his brother-in-law, Will Gutman.

Elwood and Herbert Horkheimer are home from Ithaca, N. Y., where the former is attending Cornell University and the latter the preparatory school to the university.

Charles B. Austin, Jr., who spent Christmas with his father, Rev. C. B. Austin, of Vance Memorial Church, leaves this morning for Detroit, Michigan, where he is connected with the general freight office of the Michigan Central Railway.

## Franklin College Contest.

Last Friday night, the annual contest between the Philosophic and Jefferson Literary societies of Franklin college, New Athens, O., resulted in a victory for the Philos, by eleven points to four. The Philos won all but oration. The decision in favor of the declaimer was unanimous; in favor of the others, by a majority. Declamation counts two points, essay three points, oration four,

and debate six. Miss Babb, of Harrisville, O., won the decision on declamation; Miss Beulah Roney, of West Alexander, Pa., on essay; Mr. Will Hughes, of New Athens, O., on oration, and Mr. Orville Dickerson, of Cadis, O., on debate. The question was: "Should the present method of electing United States senators be abolished?" Decision in favor of the negative. Judges, W. B. Hearn, editor of the Cadis Republican; Rev. Percy Gordon, of Burgettstown, Pa.; and Prof. McConnell, of Germano. Attendance was very large.

## Mrs. Shrack Dies.

Mrs. Kate Shrack, of 3633 Wood street, South Side, who was badly burned by a lamp explosion at her home a few days ago, was taken to the City hospital in the city ambulance yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. A few minutes later she died, the exception of being moved having been too much for her to withstand.

## Oratorio—Cold Weather.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.  
CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 26.—An oratorio was held this evening at the Presbyterian church by the members of the choir. The weather to-day is the coldest of the season, the thermometer standing at 17.

## Now For The Aftermath....

What will we do with it? Carry it over for next Christmas? No, siree. Like sensible merchants, we're going to get rid of it this week, and in order to do that we'll have to make the prices correspondingly attractive. Suppose we make

## A Uniform Price of Half What the Toys and Dolls Are Now Marked?

And when you figure that our Christmas prices were little more than half what most stores asked, you can easily figure your saving now at

# 1=2

## Our Marked Prices.

This is a grand opportunity to reciprocate Christmas gifts.

# House & Herrmann.